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AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Some areas across Wyoming experienced triple-digit temperatures and minimal precipitation during the last week in August.

Buford experienced temperatures 18 degrees above normal this week. Twenty-three of the 33 reporting stations experienced temperatures at least 10 degrees above normal. High temperatures ranged from 82 degrees in Lake Yellowstone to 104 degrees in Lance Creek. Low temperatures ranged from 30 degrees in Shirley Basin to 61 degrees in Newcastle. Uinta and Sweetwater counties reported receiving some scattered rain as hay harvest continues. Converse County reported their rangeland growing season as complete; and no soil moisture for any fall re-growth at this time. Farm activities included harvesting barley, oats, corn for silage, alfalfa and other hay, planting wheat, and tending to livestock. Weather conditions allowed for 6.9 days of field work.

SOIL MOISTURE SUPPLIES

Topsoil	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Short	58	55	6	9
Short	37	39	42	38
Adequate	5	6	50	52
Surplus	0	0	2	1

FIELD CROP REPORT: Hay harvest is wrapping up, barley and oats are mostly mature, and winter wheat planting is just beginning. Topsoil moisture is rated 95 percent short to very short, and 5 percent adequate.

IRRIGATION WATER SUPPLIES

	This Week	As of 8/20	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Short	23	21	7	10
Short	28	25	7	10
Adequate	49	54	75	77
Surplus	0	0	11	3

CROP CONDITION TABLE

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excel
Corn	8	16	36	34	6
Sugarbeets	0	0	35	56	9
Dry Beans	2	4	46	39	9
Alfalfa Hay	15	17	26	40	2

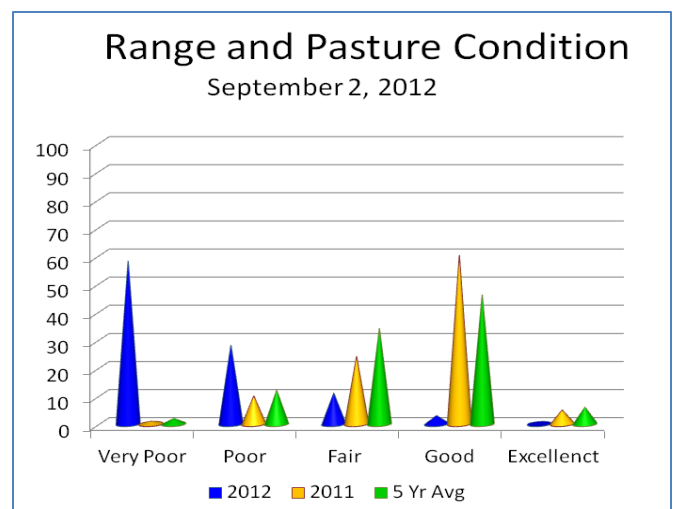
CROP PROGRESS TABLE

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Barley Mature	97	94	91	93
Barley Harvested	87	86	83	77
Oats Mature	96	93	84	90
Oats Harvested	86	81	75	77
Winter Wheat Planted	10	1	3	15
Corn Milk	98	88	52	71
Corn Dough	74	52	41	41
Corn Dent	22	10	7	11
Corn Silage	13	2	4	6
Dry Beans Setting Pod	99	93	97	93
Dry Beans Turn Color	80	47	70	61
Dry Beans Combined	33	7	12	13
Alfalfa 2nd Cutting	92	88	81	85
Alfalfa 3rd Cutting	35	25	14	11
Other Hay Harvested	91	89	92	93

LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE REPORT: Range and pasture condition continued in its steady decline to 86 percent poor to very poor, 11 percent fair, and 3 percent good.

RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITIONS

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Poor	58	55	1	2
Poor	28	29	10	12
Fair	11	13	24	34
Good	3	3	60	46
Excellent	0	0	5	6



NASS is currently conducting our annual September surveys on crops and livestock. In the first two weeks of September, NASS is surveying U.S. small grains growers for final production. We are also asking hog producers about their summer pig crop, next year's farrowing intentions, and current inventory. The responses will provide the foundation for 2012 production estimates. All participating farmers should respond. Your information matters!

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WEATHER SUMMARY: Average temperatures ranged from 57 degrees at Lake Yellowstone to 80 degrees in Newcastle. Temperatures ranged from 6 to 18 degrees above normal. Lake Yellowstone received 1.15 inches of precipitation last week, more than anyone else in the State, followed by Evanston at 0.94 inch. These were the only two stations receiving more than half-inch of rain. Eight other stations received between one-tenth and one-half inches.

Weather Data for the Week Ending September 2, 2012 ^{1/}

	Weekly Air Temperature				Weekly Precipitation			Since Jan 1 Precipitation	
	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total Inches	Normal Inches	DFN	Total Inches	DFN
District 1									
Cody	93	55	73	10	0.00	0.21	-0.21	2.99	-5.12
Dubois	85	41	62	7	0.13	0.24	-0.11	4.18	-2.81
Greybull	100	54	76	12	0.00	0.14	-0.14	2.31	-3.19
Jeffrey City	93	42	70	10	0.00	0.14	-0.14	3.20	-4.85
Lake Yellowstone	82	35	57	8	1.15	0.42	0.73	15.49	1.21
Lander	96	55	76	12	0.00	0.17	-0.17	4.73	-4.67
Powell	95	52	71	9	0.00	0.14	-0.14	3.51	-1.92
Riverton	96	53	75	13	0.00	0.17	-0.17	2.19	-3.69
Worland	103	52	76	10	0.00	0.14	-0.14	2.13	-3.68
District 2									
Big Horn	101	48	73	10	0.02	0.25	-0.23	9.84	-0.73
Buffalo-Johnson	99	53	77	13	0.00	0.25	-0.25	7.52	-2.71
Gillette	100	52	78	14	0.00	0.28	-0.28	7.92	-4.30
Midwest	100	49	75	11	0.00	0.14	-0.14	5.25	-5.19
Newcastle	100	61	80	14	0.00	0.32	-0.32	7.75	-4.65
Sheridan	102	47	73	9	0.00	0.26	-0.26	7.03	-3.66
Sundance	102	56	77	14	0.00	0.35	-0.35	12.63	-1.76
District 3									
Afton	88	36	62	6	0.19	0.33	-0.14	9.47	-2.78
Big Piney	88	36	63	10	0.15	0.21	-0.06	2.34	-3.04
Evanston	88	47	68	11	0.94	0.25	0.69	3.37	-4.35
Jackson Hole	88	37	62	7	0.22	0.35	-0.13	7.93	-6.53
District 4									
Casper	97	49	76	13	0.00	0.18	-0.18	6.49	-3.06
Laramie	87	45	67	10	0.02	0.25	-0.23	3.84	-4.76
Rawlins	90	49	71	9	0.28	0.18	0.10	3.43	-3.55
Rock Springs	88	48	70	10	0.40	0.14	0.26	3.26	-3.28
Shirley Basin	85	30	62	8	0.14	0.21	-0.07	5.81	-1.96
District 5									
Buford	93	51	72	18	0.26	0.35	-0.09	7.77	-3.80
Cheyenne	93	54	74	12	0.04	0.36	-0.32	6.69	-5.64
Chugwater	96	54	75	14	0.06	0.33	-0.27	6.42	-5.92
Douglas	100	55	76	13	0.03	0.21	-0.18	3.80	-5.90
Lance Creek	104	53	77	12	0.00	0.28	-0.28	4.57	-6.01
Old Fort Laramie	99	51	74	9	0.00	0.27	-0.27	4.62	-5.96
Torrington	100	54	78	12	0.00	0.28	-0.28	5.34	-5.47
Wheatland	97	53	75	9	0.00	0.28	-0.28	5.05	-5.17

1/ Summary based on NWS data. DFN=Departure from Normal. Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches. Air Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit. Weather data prepared by AWIS, Inc. For more weather information visit www.awis.com or call 1-888-798-9955